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Application No. 10/076,822
Amendment in Response to Office Action dated February 10, 2004

Amendments to the Claims:

The present listing of the claims replaces all past listings of the claims:

Listing of claims

Claim 1. (Currently Amended) An adhesive sheet strip for bonding to a substrate and/or an article along a bond plane, said adhesive strip not discoloring a substrate and/or an article to which it is bonded, said adhesive sheet strip being redetachable from a substrate and/or an article to which the adhesive sheet strip is bonded without residue or destruction by stretching the adhesive sheet strip in the bond plane, and said adhesive sheet strip comprising a pressure sensitive adhesive based on styrene block copolymers, wherein the pressure sensitive adhesive comprises an acid-modified and/or acid anhydride-modified elastomer, **which comprises 1 to 2% acid groups based on the overall weight of the elastomer.**

Claim 2. (Previously Presented) The adhesive sheet strip as claimed in claim 1, wherein the elastomer is based on SEBS and/or SEPS.

Claim 3. (Previously Presented) The adhesive sheet strip as claimed in claim 1, wherein the elastomer accounts for from 30 to 60% by weight of the pressure sensitive adhesive.

Claim 4. (Canceled).

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- Claim 5. (Previously Presented) The adhesive sheet strip as claimed in claim 1, wherein the pressure sensitive adhesive comprises tackifiers and, optionally, further additives, plasticizing agents and/or fillers.
- Claim 6. (Previously Presented) The adhesive sheet strip as claimed in claim 1, which is provided on one or both sides with the pressure sensitive adhesive.
- Claim 7. (Previously Presented) The adhesive sheet strip as claimed in claim 1, comprising a nonadhesive grip tab.
- Claim 8. (Previously Presented) The adhesive sheet strip as claimed in claim 1, wherein the adhesive sheet strip comprises a pressure sensitive adhesive with a nonadhesive grip tab or the adhesive sheet strip is a laminate.
- Claim 9. (Previously Presented) A process for producing an adhesive sheet strip as claimed in claim 1, which comprises applying a pressure sensitive adhesive on a stretchable backing.
- Claim 10. (Previously Presented) The adhesive sheet strip as claimed in claim 1, wherein the elastomer accounts for from 35 to 55% by weight of the pressure sensitive adhesive.
- Claim 11. (Currently Amended) The adhesive sheet strip as claimed in claim 1,

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wherein the elastomer comprises from 1 to 2% of incorporated ~~malefic~~ maleic anhydride, based on the overall weight of the elastomer.

Claim 12 (Previously Presented) The adhesive sheet strip as claimed in claim 8, wherein the adhesive sheet strip is a laminate, and the laminate has a stretchable backing.

Claim 13 (Previously Presented) A method of bonding and detaching an adhesive sheet strip to a substrate and/or an article, said method comprising:

- a) providing an adhesive sheet strip according to claim 1;
 - b) bonding the adhesive sheet strip to a substrate and/or an article along a bond plane to form a bond between the adhesive sheet strip and the substrate and/or the article;
- and

detaching the adhesive sheet strip from the substrate and/or the article by stretching the adhesive sheet strip in the direction of the bond plane.

Claim 14. (New) An adhesive sheet strip for bonding to a substrate and/or an article along a bond plane, said adhesive strip not discoloring a substrate and/or an article to which it is bonded, said adhesive sheet strip being redetachable from a substrate and/or an article to which the adhesive sheet strip is bonded without residue or destruction by stretching the adhesive sheet strip in the bond plane, and said adhesive sheet strip comprising a pressure sensitive adhesive

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based on styrene block copolymers, wherein the pressure sensitive adhesive comprises an acid-modified and/or acid anhydride-modified elastomer, which comprises 1 to 2% of incorporated maleic anhydride based on the overall weight of the elastomer.

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CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

If entry and consideration of the amendments above requires an extension of time, Applicants respectfully request that this be considered a petition therefor. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee(s) due in this connection to Deposit Account No. 14-1263.

ADDITIONAL FEE

Please charge any insufficiency of fees, or credit any excess, to Deposit Account No. 14-1263.